

REMARKS

With this response, an earnest effort has been made to respond to all issues raised in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. In view of the above, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration of the application is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

May 4, 2006

Date

By: /Sandra K. Szczerbicki/

Sandra K. Szczerbicki, Reg. No.: 53,666

Telephone No.: 651-733-1543

Office of Intellectual Property Counsel
3M Innovative Properties Company
Facsimile No.: 651-736-3833